

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing device comprising:

a first storage device for storing units of primary information;

a user operable interface for making selections from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked;

a second storage device;

a presentation device for presenting information; and

a personalizing means processor configured for deriving, from said selections, personalizing information that includes information other than the mere fact that the selected units were selected, in order to store the derived personalizing information in the second storage device; and

said processor a presentation means for presenting information, the personalizing means being further configured arranged to, in response to a unit of said stored units of primary information being processed:

a) retrieve, from the second storage device, a respective portion of the stored, derived, personalizing information; and

b) operate the presentation device to present the retrieved portionsaid personalizing information.

2. (Currently Amended) The device according to Claim 1, wherein the personalizing ~~processor~~means is ~~configured~~arranged to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the stored, personalizing information.

3. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 2, wherein the presenting, by the presentation device, of said retrieved personalizing information presents ~~said~~means is arranged to present a respective unit of the personalizing information ~~which is linked to a respective unit of primary information while the~~said respective unit of said primary information is being processed.

4. (Previously Presented) An information processing device comprising:

- a first storage device for storing units of primary information;
- a user operable interface for making selections from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked;
- a second storage device; and
- a personalizing means for deriving personalizing information from said selections in order to store the personalizing information in the second storage device, the personalizing means being arranged to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information, the information processing device being arranged to erase a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command, wherein the personalizing means is arranged to remove a link between the respective unit of primary information and a respective unit

of personalizing information, and to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

5. (Previously Presented) The information processing device according to claim 1, the device including communication means for exchanging units of primary information with a similar information processing device, wherein the personalizing means is arranged to attach a personal tag to a unit of primary information to be sent to the similar information processing device, the personalizing means also being arranged to detach a personal tag from a received unit of primary information and store it as personalizing information in the second storage device.

6. (Previously Presented) A method for processing information, the method comprising the steps of:

- storing of primary information;
- selecting a portion of the primary information;
- deriving personalizing information for the selected portion of the primary information so as to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information;
- storing of the personalizing information; and
- erasing a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command by removing a link between the respective unit of primary information and a respective unit of personalizing information so as to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, further including the step of deriving a history of personalizing information, using two or more selected portions of primary information.

8. (Previously Presented) An information processing device comprising:
a memory for storing primary information;
an interface, wherein at least a portion of said primary information is selected; and
a processor that is operable to (1) process said portion of said selected primary information and (2) deriving personalizing information for said selection portion, said processor being arranged to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information and, in erasing a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command, to remove a link between the respective unit of primary information and a respective unit of personalizing information so as to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

9. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 8, wherein the processor is further operable for storing the personalizing information in the memory.

10. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 8, wherein the processor is further operable for deriving a history of personalizing information, using two or more selected portions of primary information.

11. (Currently Amended) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein ~~thesaid~~ deriving serves to personalize stored units of primary information corresponding to said selections to form ~~saidthe~~ derived personalizing information to be stored in the second storage device.

12. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 11, wherein said second storage device is in communicative connection with said first storage device.

13. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said second storage device is in communicative connection with said first storage device.

14. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said personalizing information comprises an e-mail address.

15. (Previously Presented) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said information processing device is a mobile device.

16. (New) The information processing device of claim 1, configured as a consumer electronics device, and so as not to enable the stored, personalizing information to be erased from or altered on said second storage device, so that the second storage device is non-removable, and so that the first storage device is either removable by a user of said information processing device or, if non-removable, the units of primary information are erasable from the first storage device.

17. (New) An information processing device having a primary function, wherein said primary function is directed to the processing of units of primary information, said device comprising:

- a first storage device for storing said units of primary information for subsequent processing by said primary function of the information processing device;

- a user operable interface for making selections from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked;

- a second storage device;

- a presentation device for presenting information; and

- a personalizing processor for deriving, from said selections, personalizing information that includes information other than the mere fact that the selected units were selected, in order to store the derived personalizing information in the second storage device, said processor being further configured to retrieve, from the second storage device, the stored, derived, personalizing information and to operate the presentation device to present the retrieved personalizing information.

18. (New) The information processing device of claim 17, configured as a consumer electronics device, and so as not to enable the stored, personalizing information to be erased from or altered on said second storage device, so that the second storage device is non-removable, and so that the first storage device is either removable by a user of said information processing device or, if non-removable, the units of primary information are erasable from the first storage device.

19. (New) An information processing method for an information processing device having a primary function, wherein said primary function is directed to the processing of units of primary information, said method comprising:

storing, in a first storage device, said units of primary information for subsequent processing by said primary function of the information processing device; and

deriving, from user selections that have been made from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked, personalizing information that includes information other than the mere fact that the selected units were selected, in order to:

- a) store the derived personalizing information in a second storage device;
- b) retrieve, from the second storage device, the stored, derived, personalizing information; and
- c) operate a presentation device to present the retrieved personalizing information.

20. (New) A computer software product that includes a medium readable by a processor, the medium containing instructions executable by an information processing device having a primary function, wherein said primary function is directed to the processing of units of primary information which are stored on a first storage device of said information processing device for subsequent processing by said primary function, said instructions comprising instructions for deriving, from user selections that have been made from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked, personalizing information that includes information other than the mere fact that the selected units were selected, the derived information to be stored in a second storage device of said information processing device, and retrieved from the second storage device for presentation by a presentation device.

21. (New) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein the personalizing processor is configured such that said derived personalized information includes information derived by the personalizing processor, rather than by a user of said information processing device.